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HAMILTON COUNTY MUNCIPAL COURT SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION HAMILTON COUNTY,OHIO

CLIFFORD B. WAHL 5708 Kroegermount Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45239

Plaintiff

NORTHLAND GROUP, INC.

V.

c/o Statutory Agent CT Corporation System 1300 East 9th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44114

And

ARROW FINANCIAL SERVICES

c/o Statutory Agent CT Corporation System 1300 East Ninth Street Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Defendants

CLERK OF COURTY
HAMILTON COUNTY

COMPLAINT FOR STATUTORY DAMAGES UNDER THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, PURSUANT TO 15 U.S.C. §1692, ET SEQ AND OHIO REVISED CODE §1319.12 ET SEQ

Comes now the Plaintiff, by and through counsel, and hereby states for his claim as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1692(h), §813(b)(2)(d) this action may be brought in any Court of competent jurisdiction.
- 2. Fifth Third Bank is incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio.

FACTS

COUNT ONE

- Plaintiff held a bank account with Fifth Third Bank, Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio.
- Defendants Northland Group, Inc. and Arrow Financial Services on behalf of Fifth Third Bank alleged a debt by Plaintiff on Northland Group, Inc.'s account Number 62768588.
- Defendant Arrow Financial Services on behalf of Fifth Third Bank employed a third party debt collector to collect said debt with respect to Account Number 62768588.
- 6. Said debt has been denied by Plaintiff.
- 7. Arrow Financial Services employed Northland Group, Inc. of Edina,
 Minnesota, to collect said debt on Account Number 62768588.
- 8. Northland Group, Inc. is a Defendant herein.
- 9. Northland Group, Inc., contacted Plaintiff with respect to said debt.
- 10. Within thirty (30) days of receiving the notification form from the third party debt collector, Plaintiff denied the debt.
- 11. Plaintiff thereafter retained counsel.
- 12. Defendant, Northland Group, Inc. was contacted by Plaintiff and was asked to forward proof of said debt.
- Defendant, Northland Group, Inc. was unable to comply because those records were not given to Northland Group, Inc. nor Arrow Financial Services by Defendant, Fifth Third Bank, in violation of 15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.

- 14. Defendants refused to produce said documents verifying the debt in violation of 15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.
- 15. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1692(k) §813, Defendants are liable to Plaintiff for failing to verify the debt upon proper request.
- 16. Plaintiff has suffered damages and attorneys' fees.

COUNT TWO

- 17. Plaintiff incorporates all of his allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 16 as if fully rewritten herein..
- Defendants Northland Group, Inc. and Arrow Financial Services on behalf of Fifth Third Bank alleged a debt by Plaintiff on Northland Group, Inc.'s Account Number 62761535.
- 19. Defendant Arrow Financial Services on behalf of Fifth Third Bank employed a third party debt collector to collect said debt with respect to Account Number 62761535.
- 20. Said debt has been denied by Plaintiff.
- 21. Arrow Financial Services, LLC. on behalf of Fifth Third Bank hired Northland Group, Inc. to collect said debt.
- 22. Arrow Financial Services, LLC. is a Defendant herein.
- 23. Northland Group., Inc. contacted Plaintiff with respect to said debt.
- 24. Within thirty (30) days of receiving the notification form from the third party debt collector, Plaintiff denied the debt.
- 25. Plaintiff thereafter retained counsel.

- 26. Defendant, Northland Group, Inc. was contacted by Plaintiff and was asked to forward proof of said debt.
- 27. Defendant, Northland Group, Inc. was unable to comply because those records were not given to Northland Group, Inc. by Arrow Financial Services, LLC nor Fifth Third Bank, in violation of 15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.
- 28. Northland Group, Inc. refused to produce said documents verifying the debt in violation of 15 U.S.C. 1692 et seq.
- 29. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1692(k) §813, Defendants are liable to Plaintiffeor failing to verify the debt upon proper request.
- 30. Plaintiff has suffered damages and attorneys' fees.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests statutory damages of \$3,000.00 from each Defendant, jointly and severally, for attorneys' fees and court costs on Count One of the Complaint and statutory damages of \$3,000.00 from each Defendant, jointly and severally, for attorneys' fees and court costs on Count Two of the Complaint and for any and all other relief which this Court may deem just and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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TO THE CLERK

Please issue certified mail service of the Summons and Complaint on the Defendants at their last known addresses of:

NORTHLAND GROUP, INC.

c/o Statutory Agency CT Corporation System 1300 East 9th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44114

And

ARROW FINANCIAL SERVICES c/o Statutory Agent CT Corporation System 1300 East 9th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44114 HAMILTON COUNTY, OH